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H.B. No. 1781

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the propagation of breeder deer by cloning.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 43.357, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

(a) The holder of a valid deer breeder's permit may:

(1) engage in the business of breeding breeder deer, including the propagation of breeder deer by cloning, in the immediate locality for which the permit was issued; and

(2) sell, transfer to another person, or hold in captivity live breeder deer for the purpose of propagation or sale.

(b) The commission may make regulations governing:

(1) the possession of breeder deer held under the authority of this subchapter;

(2) the recapture of lawfully possessed breeder deer that have escaped from the facility of a deer breeder;

(3) permit applications and fees;

(4) reporting requirements;

(5) procedures and requirements for the purchase, transfer, sale, or shipment of breeder deer;

(6) the endorsement of a deer breeder facility by a certified wildlife biologist;

(7) the number of breeder deer that a deer breeder may possess; ~~and~~

1 (8) the dates for which a deer breeder permit is valid;
2 and
3 (9) the propagation of breeder deer by cloning.

4 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.